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Conservation Commission Minutes 06/06/2013

Arlington Conservation Commission
Minutes
June 6, 2013

Mr. Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall Annex. Present were Nathaniel Stevens, Catherine Garnett, Michelle Durocher, Curt Connors, Eileen Coleman, Chris Naylor, Charles Tirone, and David White of the Commission. Also present were Justin Quattrini and Bruce Whelple.

7:45 pm – Commission Business:

Some Commission members visited the conservation land on **Hemlock St** and inspected the restoration work. Mr. Quattrini submitted an updated survey plan dated May 14, 2013, by J. McEachern PLS #35000. Connors/Coleman motioned to approve the issuance of a letter of compliance pursuant to the Commission's agreement with the Quattrinis; motion passed, with Mr. Tirone abstaining. White/Coleman motioned to approve the 5/16/13 **minutes** with edits; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Beckwith reported on the **Mystic River Oil Spill** which took place on 5/31/13. Connors/Tirone motioned to ratify the Emergency Certification; the motion was unanimously approved. The Department of Environmental Protection will present information on this at a public meeting on June 8 at 9am in the Medford Community Center.

Ms. Beckwith reported on a **Soak up the Rain** meeting with Wayne Chouinard and Charlotte Milan. Chris Naylor can also contribute effort to this program.

Mr. Tirone reported on the **Mystic Valley Parkway bridge over the Alewife Brook** project. He has a call in to the site supervisor to repair the erosion controls before the next rains.

Ms. Garnet reported on the **Arlington Catholic playing field** project and the new plantings. The amelanchiers are 10-12 feet high and shrubs are 2-3 feet high, with a one year guarantee. The plantings are pushed further back in to the corner in order to be away from foot traffic.

Mr. Stevens is reviewing the permit file for **Spy Pond Park** for review of the invasive removal and general weeding work. A site walk will be held on June 14 at 8am.

The dock that was at the shoreline at the end of **Addison St** has been removed.

Ms. Beckwith reported that a 1996 Enforcement action at **15 Shore Rd** was still outstanding but the minutes reflected that the matter was resolved, and recommends that the Commission vote to close out the action. White/Naylor motioned to close out the enforcement action; motion passed unanimously.

The Commission discussed the site walk to the **Symmes** project. They viewed the open space around the development, the slope and screening vegetation issues were discussed. A new stewardship group should be formed from the group of neighbors.

Meeting adjourned at 11pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Corinna Beckwith

Commission Administrator